

**MARCH 1986**News and Notes from the
Fellowship Offices

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JANUARY**TOP 20 TITHES**

(Received by February 10, 1986)

1. MCC DALLAS.....	Dallas, TX	\$1784.75
2. MCC OF RESURRECTION.....	Houston, TX	1501.95
3. MCC SAN DIEGO.....	San Diego, CA	1249.97
4. MCC GTR. ST. LOUIS.....	St. Louis, MO	1118.27
5. CH. HOLY SPIRIT MCC..	Ft. Ldtrdle, FL	840.79
6. MCC LONG BEACH.....	Long Beach, CA	789.20
7. MCC WASHINGTON.....	Washington, DC	721.10
8. MCC SAN FRANCISCO..	San Francisco, CA	647.50
9. CHRIST CHAPEL MCC.....	Santa Ana, CA	618.43
10. ALL GOD'S CHILDREN MCC.....	Minn., MN	554.26
11. MCC KEY WEST.....	Key West, FL	528.47
12. MCC NEW YORK.....	New York, NY	507.98
13. MCC GTR. KANSAS CITY..	Kansas City, MO	500.60
14. ST. LUKE'S MCC.....	Jacksonville, FL	492.33
15. KING OF PEACE MCC..	St. Petersburg, FL	486.66
16. RIVER CITY MCC.....	Sacramento, CA	448.20
17. MCC OF POMONA VALLEY.....	Ontario, CA	434.93
18. CASA DE CRISTO EVAN. MCC..	Phoenix, AZ	419.97
19. MCC TORONTO.....	Ontario, Canada (U.S.)	415.32
20. MCC CH. OF DISCIPLES..	Washington, DC	400.83

JANUARY**TOP 20 PER CAPITA**

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1. MCC KEY WEST.....	Key West, FL	\$ 30.37
2. GOOD SAMARITAN MCC....	Bellflower, CA	28.32
3. CH. OF NEW HOPE MCC.....	Waterloo, IA	26.10
4. MARANATHA MCC...	Colorado Springs, CO	25.19
5. OASIS MCC.....	Tempe, AZ	21.50
6. MCC RICHMOND.....	Richmond, VA	17.03
7. CHRIST CHAPEL MCC.....	Santa Ana, CA	16.23
8. MORNING STAR MCC.....	Worcester, MA	16.15
9. MCC OF THE REDWOODS..	Mill Valley, CA	16.11
10. MCC CHARLOTTE.....	Charlotte, NC	15.29
11. CALVARY MCC.....	Redwood City, CA	14.99
12. MCC OF THE SPIRIT.....	Harrisburg, PA	14.73
13. MCC CHRIST LIBERATOR...	Princeton, NJ	14.61
14. MCC WASHINGTON.....	Washington, DC	14.57
15. MCC SARASOTA/BRADENTON..	Sarasota, FL	14.22
16. HARLEM MCC.....	New York, NY	13.74
17. SWEET SPIRIT OF SALEM MCC..	Salem, OR	13.50
18. MCC GTR. ST. LOUIS.....	St. Louis, MO	13.49
19. MCC BAKERSFIELD.....	Bakersfield, CA	13.18
20. MCC APOSTLES OF GOD..	Sierra Vista, AZ	12.95

PRAYER REQUESTS

**Our love and prayers are extended to the family and friends of Rev. Virgil Scott, who was brutally beaten to death on February 17, 1986. Rev. Scott was a member of the Fellowship for 15 years and a licensed clergy for over 10 years. He was pastor of MCC Stockton for the last 5 years. Expressions of love and support are to be sent to: MCC Stockton, c/o Rev. David Pelletier, Northwest District Coordinator, 150 Eureka Street, San Francisco, CA 94114-2492. In lieu of flowers please send your donation, designated for the Stockton aids Group, to Rev. Pelletier c/o MCC Stockton.

Rev. Elder Troy D. Perry will be preaching at the Sunday, 23rd February, Worship Service of MCC Stockton held at the First Unitarian Church, 2737 Pacific Ave., Stockton, CA at 6:00 P.M.

** General Council will be holding their second meeting on March 4-10. Please uphold them in your prayers during this time.

** PROGRAMMER'S MEETING from Feb. 27th - March 1st. The Fellowship program heads will be meeting to discuss just programming. This promises to be one of those wonderful firsts for MCC. Please keep the group in your prayers!

** Our churches in Nigeria continue to need our prayers and support as they adjust to the changing political climate in Nigeria. Their survival needs and medical needs are still paramount.

** Let's keep MCC Baton Rouge in our prayers as they seek a new pastor. Also, their host church is moving, so a prayer that the LSU Campus Chapel may be available to MCC Baton Rouge.

** Prayers are requested for Rev. J.W.A. Hein who moved from Australia to the Netherlands. It's hoped that a new works will be started in the Netherlands. Our continued prayers during the transitional period and for the starting of a new MCC.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

** MCC Lubbock, in Texas, is planning a big "HOME-COMING" celebration March 8-9, 1986!

** The Mid-Atlantic District has a PRO-PEACE MARCHER. The district has set up an escrow account and the funds will be used to support Tom Colborn during his walk from Los Angeles to Washington, D.C. Contributions can be sent to : Mr. R. Adam DeBaugh, P.O. Box 8835, Silver Spring, MD 20907. Our congratulations to the Mid-Atlantic District and our continued prayers for Tom Colborn during this 9 month march.

** SUPPORT NETWORK NEEDED! Whitney J. Bryant, clerk of the board of directors of MCC Rockville, is currently trying to develop a support network for members and friends of UFMCC who fall into the 21 years old and under category. She is finding that more and more frequently young MCC'ers are an almost invisible, but not silent minority. Whitney (21 years old herself), stated in her letter to K.I.T., "It seems to me that the pressures and life-decisions of this particular group are unique among MCC'ers and that, sometimes it is desirable to relate to one's peers instead of the 'older' segment of the Fellowship. We are a very special group within the Fellowship, with energies and insights one might not expect to find. Please list me as a contact person for this networking and send all correspondence as follows: Whitney J. Bryant, c/o MCC Rockville, P.O. Box 10269, Rockville, MD 20850."

HOT OFF THE PRESS!!

John McNeil's book, The Church and the Homosexual is now on sale in the Fellowship Church Services Department.

This is a limited edition re-print which includes the Vatican letter to John demanding his silence! Also, included in this reprint is a preface explaining John's position on the entire issue surrounding the church and homosexuality.

You won't want to miss out on this special edition as it is an excellent resource on the subject of homosexuality.

It is printed in paperback only and the regular price is \$11.95.

The Fellowship is offering it at a substantial discount as follows:

1	\$10.50
2-5	9.50
6-10	8.50
10 or more	8.00

This price includes shipping/postage charges (U.S. only).

IMPORTANT - GENERAL CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT!

*** THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS RETURNED TO US THE GENERAL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION DECLARATIONS. FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NOT RETURNED THEM AS YET, PLEASE SEND THEM TO US A.S.A.P. WE ALMOST HAVE ENOUGH NAMES, BUT ARE STILL SHORT OF THE MARK. WE REALLY NEED YOUR ASSISTANCE. THANK YOU. CALL THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION, MR. RAVI VERMA, AT (213) 464-5100 IF ANOTHER DECLARATION IS NEEDED.***

PRAISES

Praise God and our congratulations to Rev. Elder Dr. Nancy Wilson, who has been elected to pastor MCC Los Angeles, our founding church. Our love and best wishes go with Nancy and to MCC Los Angeles!

** We are proud to announce the approval of our "NEW WORKS" church body at the California Institute for Women (C.I.W.) in the Southwest District as of 2/8-9/86. This is a historical first in UFMCC! Our new pastor is Rev. Ro Halford. As our church takes on new meaning, new life and new vision, please keep us in your prayers. Loving thanks to Rev. Elder Nancy Wilson, Rev. Shelley Hamilton and Gina Chapman, who all really invested their hearts in this process. And a special thanks to the Southwest District Committee for believing in and supporting this wonderful ministry! We've not chosen a name yet, but as soon as we do, we'll let you know. Your prayers have been, and still are, very important to us. Thank you and praise God!

Congratulations! Exodus MCC of Abilene had an all time record attendance (33) and offering (approximately \$500).

Our church in Lyon, France now has a meeting space!

Rev. John Nicholas was formally installed as pastor of MCC of the Ozarks in February. We send our best regards and congratulations.

Rev. Ron Coons will be pastor of MCC Seattle as of 3/1/86. Rev. Coons resigned MCC Baton Rouge effective 2/15/86.

Char Wilkins has been appointed Worship Coordinator of MCC Baton Rouge. The Pastoral Search Committee is looking for a new pastor.